

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
FAMILY SERVICES ADMINISTRATION**

NOTICE OF FUNDS AVAILABILITY

**District of Columbia Fatherhood Initiative, Community Access Program (DCFI/CAP)
RFA # 0427-11**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The District of Columbia Department of Human Services (DHS), Family Services Administration (FSA) has awarded multiple grants through the DCFI/CAP. Previously successful applicants may not apply under this Request for Application (RFA) notice.

The District of Columbia Fatherhood Initiative, Community Access Program (DCFI/CAP) will issue sub-grants, pending the availability of funds, through the Fiscal Year (FY) 2011 continuation award from the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Office of Family Assistance (OFA), *Promoting Responsible Fatherhood Community Access Program*.

The grant award will be made pursuant to the legislative authority of Title IV of the Social Security Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. §603 (a)(2)) to authorize competitive grants for states to develop and implement projects that support any of the three authorized activity areas: Healthy Marriage, Responsible Parenting and Economic Stability.

The objective of this effort is to provide a person-centric approach to service delivery that will meet the needs of fathers and their families to ensure that fathers have the fundamental skills necessary to contribute to the financial, emotional and social development of their children. In addition, the programs and services offered attempt to remove the barriers (economic, educational, social, etc.) that negatively impact a father's involvement and support family and children.

FSA, through this notice will issue approximately (10) ten new grants in FY 2011 in an amount not-to-exceed \$50,000 for each individual grant award. Applications are requested from all non-governmental, private entities including, grass-roots, community- and faith-based organizations that have non-profit social service providers headquartered in the District of Columbia, and have a total operating budget of no greater than \$300,000 or less, or no greater than six (6) or fewer full-time equivalent employees.

Starting Monday, March 15, 2010, applications can be obtained online by visiting the DC Office of Partnerships and Grants Services (OPGS) website at <http://www.opgs.dc.gov>, and following the link entitled: District Grants Clearinghouse, or in person from Ms. Betty Ervin, Staff Assistant for CSBG/DCFI, 645 H Street, N.E., 3rd floor, Washington, DC. Ms. Ervin may also be reached at (202) 698-4301.

A Pre-Application Conference will be held on Monday, March 29, 2010 from 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. at FSA, 645 H Street, N.E., 5th floor Conference Room, Washington, DC 20002. ***Please RSVP to Ms. Priscilla Burnett no later than 4:45 p.m. Friday, March 26, 2010 at (202) 698-4308 or email: priscilla.burnett@dc.gov.***

Application Submission Deadline is April 27, 2010 at 3:30 p.m.